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SUBJECT: FRG-USSR EXCHANGE OF MILITARY ATTACHES

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1. DEPARTMENT BELIEVES THAT EMBASSY SHOULD PROVIDE  
FONOFF LEGAL OFFICER WITH SUMMARY OF RESTRICTIONS OF  
PRA'S AND TRA'S TO WHICH SOVIET MLM IS SUBJECT. THIS  
SUMMARY SHOULD BE DRAWN UP IN CONSULTATION WITH UK AND  
FRENCH AND SHOULD REFLECT TOTAL PRA'S AND TRA'S

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IMPOSED BY THREE GOVERNMENTS.

2. WHEN GIVING PAPER TO FONOFF LEGAL OFFICER, EMBOFF SHOULD MAKE POINT THAT PREVIOUS DISCUSSIONS WITH BOTH FONOFF AND FMOD REFLECTED AGREEMENT THAT SAME RESTRICTIONS SHOULD APPLY TO SOVIET ATTACHES AS TO MLM'S.

3. MODALITY OF INFORMING SOVIETS OF PRA'S AND TRA'S WHICH WILL BE APPLIED TO ATTACHES SHOULD, IN US VIEW, BE LEFT TO FRG TO ARRANGE. CURRENT SOVIET PRACTICE IS TO INFORM DIPLOMATIC MISSIONS IN MOSCOW OF TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS VIA CIRCULAR NOTE. SINCE SOVIET ATTACHES WILL BE SUBJECT TO MORE SEVERE RESTRICTIONS THAN OTHER DIPLOMATS, INCLUDING SOVIET, BILATERAL NOTE TO SOVIET EMBASSY WOULD SEEM TO BE INDICATED. HOWEVER, FRG SHOULD

INFORM SOVIETS DURING CURRENT TALKS OF FACT THAT RESTRICTIONS WILL BE IMPOSED SO THAT THERE IS CLEAR UNDERSTANDING ON THIS POINT.

4. TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS IN SOVIET UNION ON US ATTACHES CONSIST OF AREAS PERMANENTLY CLOSED TO TRAVEL. ADDITIONALLY, USDAO MUST NOTIFY DEFENSE MINISTRY AT LEAST 48 HOURS IN ADVANCE OF ANY ATTACHE TRAVEL PLANNED TO OPEN AREAS. SOVIETS FREQUENTLY DO NOT PERMIT SUCH TRAVEL TO TAKE PLACE. THE RESTRICTIONS IMPOSED ON SOVIET ATTACHE TRAVEL BY US ARE BASED PRIMARILY ON RECIPROCITY. WE ORIGINALLY NOTIFIED SOVIET EMBASSY OF AREAS CLOSED TO TRAVEL BY DIPLOMATIC NOTE AND HAVE COMMUNICATED CHANGES BY SAME METHOD. WE PUBLISH MAP OF CLOSED AREAS AND PROVIDE THIS MAP TO SOVIET EMBASSY AND ANY OTHER INTERESTED PARTIES, ALTHOUGH WE MAKE CLEAR THAT OFFICIAL DELINEATION OF CLOSED AREAS IS IN NOTES ONLY.

5. THERE ARE NO SOVIET ATTACHES OR OTHER DIPLOMATIC PERSONNEL RESIDENT IN US WHO RESIDE IN CLOSED AREAS. WHEN SOVIET CONSULATE GENERAL WAS OPENED IN SAN FRANCISCO EARLIER THIS YEAR WE OPENED TO NOTE-FREE  
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TRAVEL SEVERAL COUNTIES IN THE SURROUNDING AREA WHICH HAD BEEN CLOSED UP TO THAT TIME.

6. ADDITIONAL INFORMATION ABOUT US TRAVEL RESTRICTIONS POUCHED TO EMBASSY. RUSH

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